

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a regular meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on October 20, 2009.

Mayor David W. Cline presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Cline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Tim Gover, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Mayor David Cline.

Also physically present were City personnel: Interim City Administrator John Kolata, City Attorney & Treasurer J. Preston Owen, Public Works Director David Wortman, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Gill, Police Chief David Griffith, Fire Chief Anthony Nichols, and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting October 6 and special meeting October 14, 2009; Police Department Report for the month of September, 2009; and Tourism Board Report for the month of September, 2009; bills and payroll for the first half of October, 2009 and Revenue and Finance reports.

Bills and payroll for the first part of October, 2009

General Fund

Payroll		\$	287,197.03
Bills		\$	<u>131,559.52</u>
	Total	\$	418,756.55

Hotel Tax Fund

Payroll		\$	1,734.65
Bills		\$	<u>4,037.95</u>
	Total	\$	5,772.60

Festival Management

Bills		\$	<u>585.62</u>
	Total	\$	585.62

**Insurance & Tort
Judgment**

Bills		\$	<u>861.00</u>
	Total	\$	861.00

Midtown TIF Fund

Bills		\$	<u>1,311.00</u>
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Capital Project Fund

Bills		\$	<u>354,836.53</u>
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Water Fund

Payroll		\$	27,036.19
Bills		\$	<u>28,801.63</u>
	Total	\$	55,837.82

Sewer Fund

Payroll		\$	30,172.02
Bills		\$	<u>45,974.44</u>
	Total	\$	76,146.46

Cemetery Fund

Payroll		\$	3,391.09
Bills		\$	<u>1,551.54</u>
	Total	\$	4,942.63

Health Insurance

Bills		\$	<u>70,126.05</u>
	Total	\$	70,126.05

Motor Fuel Tax Fund

Bills		\$	<u>4,535.14</u>
	Total	\$	4,535.14

Mayor Cline declared the motion to approve the consent agenda carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Mr. Herb Meeker of the Journal Gazette inquired as to the NIU Study with Mayor Cline and Administrator Kolata responding.

Ms. Joyce St. Michael inquired about Lawson Park restrooms and sidewalk extensions into the street at Walnut and 14th Street with Administrator Kolata directing Director Wortman to investigate and respond to Ms. St. Michael.

Commissioner Ervin addressed the Council with public concern over trailers parking on the boulevards, which violates an ordinance. Administrator Kolata directed Police Chief Griffith to departmentally enforce the Ordinance.

Administrator Kolata reviewed agenda items followed by Council discussion.

Commissioner Rankin seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1026, approving Change Order #8 of the Depot restoration to provide and install a double-hung window in lieu of a door with Grunloh Construction in the amount of \$4,759.20; and authorizing the Mayor to sign the documents.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Commissioner Rankin seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1027, approving Change Order #9 of the Depot restoration to remove and install a concrete barrier and additional fencing north and east of the new building addition with Grunloh Construction in the amount of \$7,294.31; and authorizing the Mayor to sign the documents.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Council Decision Request 2009-1028, authorizing the employment of Shawn A. Brunson as a replacement probationary police officer, effective December 1, 2009 was pulled from the agenda.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1029, authorizing the promotion of Gina Lockhart to the rank of Shift Captain and the promotion of Jason Root to the rank of Driver/Engineer, effective October 24, 2009, to fill the vacancies that will be created due to the retirement of Fire Department Shift Captain Mitch Strader.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Gover moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1030, awarding the bid from T.Q. Demolition in the amount of \$5,710.00 for the demolition of 612 Wabash Avenue.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009:1031, accepting the TIF Incentive Committee's decision to:

- Approve an application by Land Trust #440613-70 – 1610-1612 Broadway for façade and extensive interior remodeling in the amount of \$80,000 over the next 10 years; and,
- Deny an application by Thomas & Barbara Rogers – 1408 Broadway, due to routine maintenance; and,
- Deny an application by Mindy & Brad Cordes – 1612 Charleston, due to cosmetic repairs.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Commissioner Ervin seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1032; awarding bid to GEOCON Environmental in the amount of \$5,930.00 for the removal of an underground fuel storage tank located in the right-of-way at 1301 Broadway Avenue.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Commissioner Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2009-1033, accepting and approving the proposal from Midwest Meter, Inc. for the purchase of 1,960 Badger Orion radio-read transponders in the amount of \$153,860 to replace current meters.

Mayor Cline called for comments. No additional comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Gover moved to recess to closed session at 6:54 p.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the employment, performance or dismissal of employees of the municipality (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1)); and litigation affecting or on behalf of the City of Mattoon (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)).

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Council reconvened at 8:27 p.m.

Council discussed a citizen's request to add another human resources person to the city administrator search committee with the consensus not to add another member to the committee.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to adjourn 8:29 p.m.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk